

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A broadcast reception device comprising:  
reception means for receiving a broadcast signal;~~and~~  
time information acquisition means for performing an operation searching for and  
acquiring time information for counting a current time, said time information  
acquisition means including:  
signal extraction means for extracting from the broadcast signal a designated  
broadcast signal corresponding to a designated channel; and  
search means for searching for said time information from the designated  
broadcast signal extracted by said signal extraction means,  
wherein when a desired channel is newly selected, said time information acquisition  
means cancels the acquisition operation currently performed and performs a new  
acquisition operation with respect to said desired channel that is newly selected;  
and  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said  
time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform  
the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is  
not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said  
search means for said time information.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 1, further comprising channel designation  
means for designating said desired channel via an external operation.
4. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 3, wherein said channel designation  
means includes means for selecting and designating said desired channel from a channel  
group allowing a corresponding broadcast signal to be received by said reception means.

5. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 4, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.
6. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 4, wherein said channel designation means further includes channel list display means displaying said channel group in a list.
7. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 6, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.
8. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 3, wherein said channel designation means includes means for selecting and designating said desired channel from a channel group with a corresponding broadcast signal transmitted thereon.
9. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 8, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.

10. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 8, wherein said channel designation means further includes channel list display means displaying said channel group in a list.

11. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 10, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.

12. (Original) The broadcast reception device of claim 3, wherein said channel designation means includes means for directly designating said desired channel.

13. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 12, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.

14. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 3, further comprising:  
processing means for designating a channel unsearched by said search means for said time information and causing said time information acquisition means to perform the acquisition operation,  
wherein said processing means is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by said search means for said time information.

15. (Currently Amended) A broadcast reception method comprising the steps of:

receiving a broadcast signal; and

searching for and acquiring time information for counting a current time,

the step of acquiring time information including the steps of:

extracting a designated broadcast signal corresponding to a designated channel

from the broadcast signal received at the step of receiving; and

searching for said time information from the designated broadcast signal

extracted at the step of extracting,

wherein when a desired channel is newly selected, the step of acquiring time information

currently performed is cancelled and a new acquisition operation is performed

with respect to said desired channel that is newly selected; and

a processing step for designating a channel unsearched by the step of searching for said time information and causing said step of acquiring time information to begin,

wherein said processing step is started when a decision to acquire time information is not indicated with respect to a search performed on said desired channel by the step of searching for said time information.

16. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 1, wherein the broadcast signal comprises one of a group consisting of extended data services information and Rating Region Table information.

17. (Previously Presented) The broadcast reception device of claim 1, further comprising a channel table, wherein the channel table comprises:

first data indicating a channel number corresponding to the broadcast signal;

second data indicating whether the channel number has been registered with a channel map; and

a data flag indicating a status of the time information of the broadcast signal.